

WHAT WE CLAIM IS:

1. A method of managing consumer goods used in an analyzer comprising the steps of:

5 monitoring consumption status of consumer goods consumed by an analyzer and receiving the information on consumption status;

10 analyzing the consumption status of consumer goods used in an analyzer according to consumer goods supplier and according to consumer goods that said consumer goods suppliers deal in; and

15 transmitting the analyzed consumer goods consumption status or supply management information based on said consumer goods consumption status to a management unit for the analyzer or consumer goods suppliers' supply management units.

2. A method of managing consumer goods used in an analyzer comprising the steps of:

20 monitoring consumption status of consumer goods consumed by an analyzer and receiving the information on consumption status;

analyzing the consumption status of consumer goods used in an analyzer according to consumer goods supplier and according to consumer goods that said consumer goods suppliers deal in; and

25 transmitting the analyzed consumer goods consumption status or supply management information based on said consumer goods consumption status to a supply management unit for a consumer goods vendor that intermediates

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between a management unit for the analyzer and consumer goods suppliers.

3. A method of managing consumer goods used in an analyzer comprising the steps of:

5 obtaining consumer goods consumption status
information provided through a step that monitors
consumption status of consumer goods consumed by an
analyzer and receives the information on consumption
status and a step that analyzes the consumption status of
10 consumer goods used in an analyzer according to consumer
goods that consumer goods suppliers deal in; and

transmitting consumer goods supply information based
on the obtained consumer goods consumption status
information to a management unit for the analyzer or a
15 consumer goods vendor's supply management unit.

4. A method of managing consumer goods used in an analyzer comprising the steps of:

monitoring consumption status of consumer goods
consumed by an analyzer and transmitting the monitoring
20 results;

receiving the consumption status information;

analyzing the consumption status of consumer goods
used in an analyzer according to consumer goods supplier
and according to consumer goods that said consumer goods
25 suppliers deal in;

transmitting the analyzed consumer goods consumption
status and supply management information to a management
unit for the analyzer, consumer goods suppliers' supply

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management units or a consumer goods vendor's supply management unit;

confirming supply status based on the consumer goods supply management information; and

5 requesting payment from an analyzer administrator, consumer goods suppliers or a consumer goods vendor in consideration of use of the information based on said step that monitors consumer goods consumption status and said step that analyzes the consumer goods consumption status.

10 5. A method of managing reagent used in an analyzer comprising the steps of:

monitoring consumption status of reagent consumed by an analyzer and receiving the information on consumption status;

15 analyzing the consumption status of reagent used in an analyzer according to reagent supplier and according to reagent that said reagent suppliers deal in; and

transmitting the analyzed reagent consumption status or supply management information based on said reagent consumption status to a management unit for the analyzer or reagent suppliers' supply management units.

20 6. A method of managing reagent used in an analyzer comprising the steps of:

monitoring consumption status of reagent consumed by an analyzer and receiving the information on consumption status;

analyzing the consumption status of reagent used in

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an analyzer according to reagent supplier and according to reagent that said reagent suppliers deal in; and

transmitting the analyzed reagent consumption status or supply management information based on said reagent consumption status to a supply management unit for a consumer goods vendor that intermediates between a management unit for the analyzer and reagent suppliers.

7. A method of managing reagent used in an analyzer comprising the steps of:

obtaining reagent consumption status information provided through a step that monitors consumption status of reagent consumed by an analyzer and receives the information on consumption status and a step that analyzes the consumption status of reagent used in an analyzer according to reagent that reagent suppliers deal in; and

transmitting reagent supply information based on the obtained reagent consumption status information to a management unit for the analyzer or a reagent vendor's supply management unit.

8. A method of managing reagent used in an analyzer comprising the steps of:

monitoring consumption status of reagent consumed by an analyzer and transmitting the monitoring results;

receiving the consumption status information;

analyzing the consumption status of reagent used in an analyzer according to reagent supplier and according to reagent that said reagent suppliers deal in;

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transmitting the analyzed reagent consumption status and supply management information to a management unit for the analyzer, reagent suppliers' supply management units or a reagent vendor's supply management unit;

5 confirming supply status based on the reagent supply management information; and

10 requesting payment from an analyzer administrator, reagent suppliers or a reagent vendor in consideration of use of the information based on said step that monitors reagent consumption status and said step that analyzes the reagent consumption status.

9. An apparatus for managing consumer goods used in an analyzer comprising:

15 means for monitoring consumption status of consumer goods consumed by an analyzer and receiving the information on consumption status;

20 means for analyzing the consumption status of consumer goods used in an analyzer according to consumer goods supplier and according to consumer goods that said consumer goods suppliers deal in; and

25 means for transmitting the analyzed consumer goods consumption status or supply management information based on said consumer goods consumption status to a management unit for the analyzer or consumer goods suppliers' supply management units.

10. An apparatus for managing consumer goods used in an analyzer comprising:

 means for monitoring consumption status of consumer

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goods consumed by an analyzer and receiving the information on consumption status;

means for analyzing the consumption status of consumer goods used in an analyzer according to consumer goods supplier and according to consumer goods that said consumer goods suppliers deal in; and

means for transmitting the analyzed consumer goods consumption status or supply management information based on said consumer goods consumption status to a supply management unit for a consumer goods vendor that intermediates between a management unit for the analyzer and consumer goods suppliers.

11. An apparatus for managing consumer goods used in an analyzer comprising:

means for obtaining consumer goods consumption status information provided through a step that monitors consumption status of consumer goods consumed by an analyzer and receives the information on consumption status and a step that analyzes the consumption status of consumer goods used in an analyzer according to consumer goods that consumer goods suppliers deal in; and

means for transmitting consumer goods supply information based on the obtained consumer goods consumption status information to a management unit for the analyzer or a consumer goods vendor's supply management unit.

12. An apparatus for managing consumer goods used in an analyzer comprising:

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means for monitoring consumption status of consumer goods consumed by an analyzer and transmitting the monitoring results;

5 means for receiving the consumption status information;

means for analyzing the consumption status of consumer goods used in an analyzer according to consumer goods supplier and according to consumer goods that said consumer goods suppliers deal in;

10 means for transmitting the analyzed consumer goods consumption status and supply management information to a management unit for the analyzer, consumer goods suppliers' supply management units or a consumer goods vendor's supply management unit;

15 means for confirming supply status based on the consumer goods supply management information; and

means for requesting payment from an analyzer administrator, consumer goods suppliers or a consumer goods vendor in consideration of use of the information
20 based on said step that monitors consumer goods consumption status and said step that analyzes the consumer goods consumption status.

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